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Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date
	A1	US 5 315 521	5/24/1994	Hanson et al.			
	A2	US 5 315 521	5/24/1994	Bonaquist et al.			
	A3	US 5 505 052	4/09/1996	Ekins et al.			
	A4	US 5 882 373 Equivalent of EP 0 795 614	3/16/1999	Guillard et al.			

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation	
							Yes	No
	B1	EP 0 556 861	8/25/1993	Europe				
	B2	EP 0 795 614 Equivalent: US 5 882 373	9/17/1997	Europe				

**OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

	C1		International Search Report for PCT/FR03/01939

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